



# Congregation B'nai Torah Megilla

The Center Of Jewish Family Life In The Greater Trumbull Area

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## From the President's Desk

*Submitted by Linda Shames*



**Our members are making a difference!**

It was wonderful to see so many of you during the high holidays. I want to take a moment to repeat and elaborate on something I spoke about at that time ... the benefits of being members of B'nai Torah.

**As members, you're part of an 'extended family'.**

You come to this "home away from home" to pray among friends, study with scholars, learn with an open mind, be creative and have some fun. You are part of a warm and welcoming community, including those with whom you share your simchas, those who can provide you comfort when you suffer a loss, those who are genuinely interested in what you have to say.

**As members, you have the opportunity to express and expand your spirituality.** Please join us for Friday night or Saturday morning Shabbat services, made special by members when they accept an Aliyah, volunteer to read from the Torah, chant the Haf Tarah, or help in other ways to work alongside Rabbi Colin in running the service. The Friday night Oneg and

Saturday morning Kiddish provide a perfect opportunity to strengthen your ties and make new ones.

**As members, you have a voice.**

Please join us at our General Membership meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, Oct 17 at 8 PM. At this meeting, you'll have an opportunity to make suggestions regarding what's being planned over the next year. In addition, should you have any ideas regarding adult education classes, fundraisers, social action opportunities or anything else that can help make the experience even more meaningful for members, please send me an email and [linda.shames@gmail.com](mailto:linda.shames@gmail.com).

**As a member, you can network with others and strengthen our ties within the community.**

Being involved in the Federation's Common Threads program is a wonderful way of representing B'nai Torah and increasing our presence in the community. It proves to be educational, nostalgic and eye-opening. Please review the schedule of events that started in September and runs until the end of April 2019. For more program information, updates and registration, *Continued on page 2*

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visit the federation website at [www.jewishphilanthropyct.org/commonthreads](http://www.jewishphilanthropyct.org/commonthreads)

**As a member, you can make a real difference.**

Let us know your interests and we'll match you up with an activity that allows you to flourish while also helping others. We appreciate any amount of time you can spare to volunteer.

Participate in our upcoming raffle, something we hope you'll share within the greater Trumbull community, giving three people the chance to win American Express or Visa gift cards. This will be a great fundraiser for us.

There's no better time than the present to think about what you can do to come more involved.

## Warm Welcome To Our New Families

On behalf of the Membership Committee and the entire congregation, we would like to officially welcome our new members. We are looking forward to getting to know them better and to celebrating many holidays, simchas and social events together in the years to come.

Andrea, Mark, Sharon and Ethan Appelbaum

Mitch Hecht

Blythe, Samuel, Grayson and Reece Josovich

Barbara and Jay Resnick

Meryl and Sandy Silverstein

## LENDING LIBRARY

Enjoy our Shabbat-friendly check-out system. The Library is located on the second floor.

Access is also available during regular office hours.



## High Holiday Torah Covers

For years, we've had hopes of procuring new High Holiday Torah covers ... and this year, our hopes became a reality.

Those of you who attended our High Holiday services saw the beautifully crafted and artistically designed Torah covers, prominently displayed on the bema. We extend our sincere thanks to all who have contributed towards the purchase of these covers, including the following special donors:

Gale and Paul Antell  
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## Bar Mitzvah - October 19-20 - Leo Katz



Leo was born on October 21, 2005 in Stamford. His parents are Geri and Joshua Katz and he has one younger brother, Caleb. He spent the first twelve years

of his life with his family in Trumbull, but as they have recently moved to Fairfield, Leo now attends Fairfield Woods Middle School. He is very active in their marching band as a drummer and could recently be seen in the Fairfield Memorial Day parade. Aside from drumming in school, he also enjoys lessons and rehearsals at School of Rock, where he has been in three concerts, performing songs by Neil Young, Eric Clapton, and Fleetwood Mac. In addition to his drumming, he also enjoys boxing and has been training for several months. Other personal interests include watching the Mets, recycling cans and bottles for spending money, and playing with his cats, George, Jimmy, Simon, and Meep.

## Bat Mitzvah - November 2-3 - Dara Weinstein



Dara Rose Weinstein is the daughter of Beth and Louis Weinstein of Trumbull. She is an 8th grader at Hillcrest Middle School, and a graduate of Daniels Farm

Dara spends her summers at Camp Laurelwood in Madison Connecticut – and is excited to be a “left sider” (camp leader), in the summer of 2019!

Her brother Andrew is a freshman at the University of Hartford this year.

Since coming to B’nai Torah in 2011, she’s come to think of it as a “second home” – and learned she has a lot of cousins that live close by! She looks forward each year to Shabbat Noach, Bingo night, the Purim carnival and all the other events she has attended regularly over the years.

As Dara’s family watches her prepare for her Bat Mitzvah, we feel tremendous pride in her. She has grown into a beautiful young Jewish woman through the guidance of her family, friends, Talmud Torah teachers, Beth Tepper, Penny Volpe and Rabbi Colin. Dara is passionate about her Jewish heritage and is excited to share this special day with many of her friends and family from near and far!

elementary school. Dara is co-president of Best Buddies club this year at HMS and plays soccer for the Trumbull United soccer club.

Dara loves all types of music – especially dancing and singing to it. She recently decided to learn how to play the ukulele!

## Bar Mitzvah - November 9-10 - Austin Ashby



**A**ustin Joseph Ashby is the first born child of Holly and Jay Ashby, a birthright which allows him to endlessly annoy his sister Mara, age 11. Austin is an eighth grader at Madison Middle School in Trumbull, where he is an

honor student, and especially enjoys his classes in history.

Last year, other than when studying for his Bar Mitzvah, Austin spent countless hours practicing in his basement hockey cave for his first ever “hat

trick”, which he scored early in the season. Also last year, when not playing hockey, Austin and his Israeli emissary big brother Ofek Moscovich, attempted to beat the Guinness World Record for time spent playing ping pong.

When he is not honing his sport skills, Austin loves going on house exchanges with his family. They have visited England, Iceland, and Quebec, Canada. For the past two summers Austin has pedaled hundreds of miles on bike trips to Cape Cod and the islands, Niagara Falls and Toronto. His favorite vacation however, was a cruise to Bermuda with his Mimi and PopPop, where he regularly enjoyed ping pong, ice cream and pizza. Besides his grandparents Margery and Peter Verlezza, Austin is also the grandson of Barry and Roberta Strom, Jack Ashby and Sue Dougherty.

At his Bar Mitzvah, Austin will be donning his great grandfather Harry Tomsky’s tallit, first donned in the White Street Synagogue in New Haven, in July, 1930.

### My Thoughts

*by Shirley Cohen*

**T**oday after I finished my breakfast, I looked all around at what was dangling from my kitchen windows. I remembered where and why I had gotten each of them. Some were lead glass. There was a butterfly, another also a butterfly in a circle of colorful flowers. One had a bird with a floral design. Then a beautiful menorah with candles all lit. Then came a wooden flying bird and a clay rooster. What does that say about me? I so very much enjoy either being outside or looking outside at all the wonderful creatures G-d has created.

It is a marvel how each of them in some way helps the other to live. When are you going to take some time out to just look at all the beauty around you? To name a few, sunsets and sun rises, and the moon on

a clear night with all the stars sparkling. Each season has its own beauty.

You might ask where is the beauty in a big city? Just look at all the people from different walks of life and different shades of skin, or different facial appearances and tell me that you don’t find beauty in their being different. Then you might see an area that is dirty and buildings that are crumbling and then spot a flower in a window. What about the new huge storied buildings? Think of the hard work and the intelligence that it took to build them. I hope that you are making a list, are your eyes opening wider to catch all the things you took for granted without saying WOW! What are you waiting for?



Common Threads, is a community-wide series exploring our diverse ancestry and heritage in our Upper Fairfield County Jewish Community. B'nai Torah is proud to join the Federation for Jewish Philanthropy and 23 area congregations and agencies in this year-long project. All programs are open to the community. Mark your calendar - B'nai Torah will be hosting the following programs:

**Thursday, October 11 at 7 p.m., “Mizrach to Maarav: Jewish Art East to West”** with Ariel Fein. Ariel will be providing an informative look into her favorite subject, including Byzantine and Islamic art.



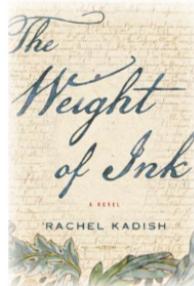
**Thursday, November 1 at 7:30 p.m.**, will be the first film in our Fall Film Festival. We'll be showing the film *The Secret Jews of Calabria*. Many people living in southern Italy have Jewish roots that trace back to the Inquisition. Rabbi Barbara Aiello returns to her ancestral village to encourage the locals to discover their Jewish heritage. Italian inspired refreshments will be served. There is a fee of \$5.

On **Sunday, March 31, at 4 p.m.**, we will be hosting Rahel Musleah, presenting her program “**Jewish Calcutta Through Music and Memories**”.

Rahel is a well-known musician, speaker and author, writing often for Hadassah magazine. We are thrilled to have her visit with us. There is no charge for the program. We are planning a kosher, Indian meal afterwards, for which there will be a fee to cover the cost. We may be adding additional B'nai Torah Common Threads programs during the year.



The Common Threads Community Read *The Weight of Ink* by Rachel Kadish is a rich story taking place primarily in London during the 1660s and the early 2000s. The story centers on two women, one, a young Jewish woman who serves as a scribe for a Rabbi blinded during the Inquisition, and the historian who finds her papers hidden away for more than 300 years under a stairway in a home in a London suburb. This is a fascinating story of these two women, and of Jewish life in the seventeenth century. Author Rachel Kadish will be sharing the story with us on **Monday, February 25, at 7:30 p.m.**, at the Conservative Synagogue, Westport. *The Weight of Ink* will be the first book we will read this year for our book group. It can be purchased in hard



or soft cover as well as digitally, and can also be found in your library.

Besides many other community programs, there are also resources, a blog, a place to purchase a DNA kit, and many other options on the website at [www.shalomct.org/commonthreads](http://www.shalomct.org/commonthreads)

**B'nai Torah's Fall Film Festival** continues on Thursday, December 6 when we will be showing *Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story*. What do the most ravishingly beautiful actress of the 1930s and 40s and the inventor whose concepts were the basis of cell phone and bluetooth technology have in common?



Join us for the film and be surprised at the answer! Light refreshments will be served. \$5 pp.



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# BINGO

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If you are interested in joining the fun and being part of the Bingo crew, please contact the office:

203-268-6940  
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*Thank you to our "construction crew" for making the ceiling in the dairy kitchen look new again after the pipes were repaired. (L-R: Ed Jewsbury, Deno Johnson and Al Frankel)*



# MIZRACH TO MAARAV: Jewish Art East to West, With Ariel Fein



Living in the diaspora for 2,000 years, Jews have had a thriving visual culture. Taking a global approach, this talk considers Jewish ceremonial and secular objects, synagogue architecture, and manuscript illumination produced in the Islamic world - how did Jewish life in the diaspora inform their artistic output? How have Jews responded to and adapted their lived experiences among varied communities and cultures?

Ariel Fein is a doctoral candidate in the History of Art Department at Yale University, where she specializes in Byzantine and Islamic art. Her current work focuses on cross-cultural exchange and artistic reception in the medieval Mediterranean. Her dissertation investigates the artistic integration of Byzantine and Islamic art and its reception within the twelfth-century Norman church. Other academic interests include the study of epigraphy and the play of word and image, cultural memory in the post-Byzantine period, and cross-cultural exchange in the Jewish visual tradition.

She received her MA with distinction in the History of Art from the Courtauld Institute of Art, London, a BA in Art History from Barnard College, and a BA in Medieval Jewish Studies from the Jewish Theological Seminary. Her dissertation work has received support from the International Center for Medieval Art and the Mary Jaharis Center for Byzantine Art and Culture.

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Congregation B'nai Torah  
5700 Main Street, Trumbull*

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The Center of Jewish Family Life in the Greater Trumbull Area

Just a warm and fuzzy reminder...

Friday, October 12

Family Service

7 p.m.



*Shabbat Noach is coming...*



Come on board for an interactive,  
fun, Friday night service

Come dressed in your most comfy P.J.'s and  
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For questions contact Beth Tepper 203-526-0899 or [btepper@snet.net](mailto:btepper@snet.net)

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While the Trumbull Animal Shelter doesn't have quite as many animals to care for as Noah did, they still need help to provide food, toys, and care for those staying with them.

That's why, in connection with reading parshat Noah on Oct. 12, we at B'nai Torah will be doing a collection to benefit the Animal Shelter from Tuesday Oct. 9 through Sunday Oct.14. They can use cat food, dog food, paper towels, dog toys for aggressive chewers (no fluff/squeakers please!). They would also happily accept SCRIP to buy what they need themselves.



Any questions, please contact Mara Brosler at [maraaafried@aol.com](mailto:maraaafried@aol.com) or 203-445-1055.



# News from the Nursery School

Submitted by Joan Watnick, Director



Our Nursery School students and their teachers are happy

to be back at school learning and exploring with friends. Fall holidays and activities provide us with a rich curriculum.



## Wonderful Ones Program Opening this Fall

Calling all One Year Olds for our new one hour a week, teacher led play time in our fantastically equipped facility. For more information or to sign up please contact Joan, 203-268-0227



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## SHALOM TO OUR NEW SHINSHINIM OUR 2018-19 FEDERATION ISRAELI EMISSARIES

Welcome to Shay Eshel, Eyal Marom, Yuval Shahar and Rotem Sharon who have joined our community this Fall as part of the Israeli Emissary program sponsored by the Federation for Jewish Philanthropy of Upper Fairfield County. Now in its 20th year, the program's goal is to build a living bridge between Israel and our community. Shay, Eyal, Yuval and Rotem are recent high school graduates who have chosen to postpone their army service to spend the year in Upper Fairfield County to share their love of Israel with our preschools and religious schools as well as in our adult education programs, local high schools, day schools and Jewish Senior Services. While all four will work together on community events, they will have primary responsibilities at individual synagogues.

This is a wonderful opportunity to add some cross-cultural enrichment to your family life. Please reach out to these special young ambassadors. Invite them to your home for a Shabbat dinner or to spend a day with your family going apple picking or to a baseball game. Show them a bit about life in the United States and listen as they share their thoughts on life in Israel. This program is not just for the youth of our community. Invite them to one of your adult dinner parties, and let them share their observations about politics, culture and societal issues in Israel. This wonderful opportunity to build bridges is made

possible through our Federation's relationship with the Jewish Agency for Israel.

If you are interested in inviting any or all of the Shinshinim to have a meal with your family or would like to explore the possibility of becoming a host family for three months, please call contact Stacy Kamisar at [skamisar@jewishphilanthropyct.org](mailto:skamisar@jewishphilanthropyct.org) or Judy Blumenthal at [jblumenthal@jewishphilanthropyct.org](mailto:jblumenthal@jewishphilanthropyct.org)

### Eyal Marom

I'm from Daverat, a beautiful kibbutz near Afula. My father, Jonathan, is a colonel in the IDF air force. My mother, Yifat, is an accountant in Afula. I have two younger sisters, Aya and Shir, both of whom are in elementary school.

In high school, I majored in both Software Engineering and Music. I have been studying jazz music and playing the piano since the age of seven. In addition, in my last three years of high school, I participated in the IDF program 'Magshimim', the National Cyber Program, that trains young



*From left to right: Shay, Rotem, Eyal, Yuval*

students from tenth to twelfth grade to become an intelligence cyber officer in the army. I also was a part of Bnai-Hamoshavim youth movement, where I was a counselor for two years.

I chose to do shlichut because I believe that the connection between our communities is both important and meaningful. I feel strongly that this connection is necessary in order to keep the Jewish people together. Therefore, my goals for this year are to become a part of the “living bridge” by taking a larger role in connecting Jewish life across the world.

### **Shay Eshel**

My name is Shay Eshel, I live in Moshav Ram-On in the Yizrael Valley. I love living in the Moshav because it keeps me very close to all my friends, and I like it that I am attached to my neighbors and to my Moshav community.

We are a family of four – Amir my father, Yael my mother, my little brother Reyi and me. My brother is two years younger than me and I like that age difference because we're very close to each other. My mother works as a CPA and my father is a lawyer.

I have been dancing professional classical ballet, modern, jazz, tap for eleven years. I do it for 4-5 times a week, sometimes even more. I dance the syllabus of the Royal Academy of Dance – in London. I also have other hobbies such as scuba diving, swimming, watching TV, meeting with friends and going to the beach. I consider myself an adventurous person, and I really like to try new things and get to know new people and new places.

I chose to do the shlichut because I love the Jewish life and community and I believe that the connection of the Jews in Israel and the Jews in the Diaspora is inseparable. Moreover, I want to serve the State of Israel by giving my time and skills to represent my country in the Jewish community abroad. I'm so

excited for the upcoming year, and I'm thrilled to share my love for Israel with you guys.

### **Rotem Sharon**

My name is Rotem Sharon. I'm 18 years old. I live in Alloney Abba. I have two older siblings. My sister, Adi, is 24 years old, she is a physical therapy student in Haifa's university. My brother Tomer is 22 years old, he just finished his service in the IDF. My father, Dror, is the CEO of a company called Magal. My mother, Yael, is the COO of a company called DGA.

In high school I majored in both physics and media, which included production of documentary films. I really like music and playing the piano and guitar. In addition, I love hand crafting such as knitting, crocheting, embroidery etc. I was also a part of Bnei Hamoshavim youth movement, where I was a counselor for two years.

I chose to do this shlichut because it gives me the opportunity to maintain this important connection with the Jewish communities in the diaspora and strengthen it along with having new experiences that will develop my personality. It's an opportunity to spread the Israeli culture as I experience it every day. I'm sure it will be a beautiful adventure that I will not forget and can't wait to start.

Thank you, I really can't wait to start !

### **Yuval Shahar**

I have a small and very close family., my father Hanan is a police officer and my mom, Esther is an artist and English and art teacher. my brother's name is Roi and he is 23 years old and serves as an officer in the IDF. We live in a small communal village called Gan Ner in the beautiful Gilboa area. I have very good friends with whom I spend a lot of my time.

I studied two majors in high school. The first one was Arabic (reading, writing and talking). My second major was theater in which I learned

acting skills, writing and more. I enjoyed every minute on stage. I have four years of "Hadracha" and volunteering experience in two different organizations - one with disabled children and the second as an instructor and mentor for a group of 30 students in "Bnai Hamoshavim" youth movement. I like sports very much and playing soccer with my friends. Since I was a little boy I participated in athletic competitions. Music and dancing have a huge part in my life and I enjoy both very much.

## TAG SALE THANK YOU

**A** GIANT thank you to all those who worked so long and hard to ensure the success of our recent tag sale. Your donations were most appreciated and so many individuals devoted so much time and effort to help out.

Our special gratitude and thanks to: Gale Antell, Arkadiy, Irina & David Belousov, Ken Blumberg, Rabbi Amanda Brodie, Mara & Wayne Brosler, Judy Cooper, Bernice Dietz, Doug Fink, Laurel Fleger, Alan Frankel, Diane Fried, Mitzi Goldberg, Shelley

I want to do the "Shlichut" because I believe that the best way to learn and understand Israel is to meet an Israeli like me, who grew up in Israel and can tell about it from his point of view. I love to be an instructor and I enjoy it very much. I love Israel and I hope to represent Israel in the best way I can. I want to be a meaningful instructor and "Shaliach" in the community.

Hall, Alissa & Robert Heilbrunn, Roberta & Sy Hirsch, Pat Hurley, Terri Levi, Jill Makaron, Lauren Mandell, Laurie Raccuia, Anita Rosnick, Lucy Ross, Jonathan & Linda Schulman, Linda Shames, Debbie Velthuizen, Margery & Peter Verlezza, Izaiah & Penny Volpe, Miriam Yekutiel and Jeff Zakim.

A special thanks also to Deno Johnson and Robin Magilnick for all their help.

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In honor of the birth of Joan and Rich Watnick's granddaughter Molly, from Jill and Les Makaron

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To Rabbi Colin and Congregation B'nai Torah, thank you for your good wishes for my speedy recovery, from Nancy Wilkins

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To Kitty Mendell on the loss of your brother, from Anita and Hal Rosnick

To Elaine and Ed Bader, mazel tov on your special birthdays and anniversary, from Anita and Hal Rosnick

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## Calendar of Events

**Tuesday, October 9**

First day of grade 8 Talmud Torah

**Thursday, October 11, 7 p.m.**

Mizrach to Maarav-*Common Threads*  
at B'nai Torah

**Friday, October 12, 7 p.m.**

Shabbat Noach

**Sunday, October 14**

First day of Talmud Torah Tichon

**Tuesday, October 16, 7:30 p.m.**

Genealogy through Technology-  
*Common Threads* at B'nai Israel,  
Bridgeport

**Wednesday, October 17, 8 p.m.**

General membership meeting

**Friday, October 19, 7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, October 20, 9:15 a.m.**

Bar Mitzvah of Leo Katz

**Sunday, October 21, 11:30 a.m.**

Talmud Torah Nursery School

**Monday, October 29, 7:30 p.m.**

"Looking for Bubbe"-*Common  
Threads* at FFLD University

**Thursday, November 1, 7:30 p.m.**

The Secret Jews of Calabria-  
*Common Threads* at B'nai Torah

**Friday, November 2, 7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, November 3, 9:15 a.m.**

Bat Mitzvah of Dara Weinstein

**Sunday, November 4, 3 p.m.**

Jewish Genealogy with Arthur  
Kurzweil-*Common Threads* at Shir  
Shalom Ridgefield

**Wednesday, November 7, 7 p.m.**

Back to Berlin-*Common Threads* at  
Temple Israel Westport

**Friday, November 9, 7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, November 10,**

**afternoon service**

Bar Mitzvah of Austin Ashby

**Tuesday, November 13**

Rosh Hodesh Women's Group

**Friday, November 16**

TT Pre-K Tot Shabbat 6 p.m.  
Emissary program 7 p.m.

**Sunday, November 18**

Talmud Torah Nursery School 11:30  
a.m.

Thanksgiving Interfaith service at  
Holy Trinity Church 4 p.m.

**Monday, November 26, 7:30 p.m.**

Is a Manuscript a Mirror-*Common  
Threads* at FFLD University

**Sunday, December 2**

Talmud Torah Hanukkah Celebration  
B'nai Torah raffle drawing

**Tuesday, December 4, 6 p.m.**

Talmud Torah family candle lighting

**Thursday, December 6, 7 p.m.**

B'nai Torah movie night

**Friday, December 7, 7 p.m.**

Talmud Torah K-2 Consecration  
service

**Tuesday, December 11**

Rosh Hodesh Women's Group

**Monday, January 7**

Rosh Hodesh Women's Group

**Sunday, January 13, 11:30 a.m.**

Talmud Torah Nursery School

**Friday, January 25, 7 p.m.**

Grade 7 Service

**Saturday, January 26**

Talmud Torah Family Havdalah and  
Trivia Night

No Talmud Torah

Tuesdays:

November 6 and 20

December 25

January 1

Sundays:

October 7

November 25

December 23 and 30

January 17